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A Generation of Idiots

"I fear the day that technology will surpass our human interaction. The world will have a generation of idiots."—Albert Einstein

Live surveillance video images of the FUKUSHIMA DAIICHI disaster look like a nuclear detonation. The jet stream carried the GENERAL ELECTRIC Mark 1 model nuclear reactors' nuclear plume toward the PACIFIC NORTHWEST. One can only wonder why American citizens were betrayed by the Nuclear Industry's blasé attitude that the nuclear fallout from the worst nuclear accident in the history of the world was "to be expected" and "normalcy". But it was not "normalcy" and failure of willpower to act on behalf of U.S. citizenry is glaring in light of the scientific data that the nuclear industry's powerful lobby has been denying, but which is coming to light now as hindsight.

The residents in HAWAII, ALASKA, OREGON, and CALIFORNIA could have been decisively admonished by the Obama Administration to shelter in place because of the peril of radioactive fallout raining down on U.S. citizen's clothing, skin, umbrellas, shoes, pets, cars, etc. But instead, there was silence by the Obama Administration regarding the nuclear fallout from FUKUSHIMA DAIICHI that rained over the CASCADES on March 18, 2011.

Radioactive cesium, iodine, strontium, and other fission radioisotopes from FUKUSHIMA DAIICHI CONTAMINATED THE CASCADE MOUNTAIN RANGE near the PACIFIC COAST. And yes, it landed on food crops and in municipal water supplies. *Radioactive fallout fell on the ground of the CASCADES and landed on organic farms as well as other soils.*

A good comparison as to the long-term consequences of **radioactive topsoil** would be the **UNITED KINGDOM** because it still restricts sheep production in parts of **WALES** due to radioactive cesium fallout from *Chernobyl's* accident 25-years ago, that contaminated those grazing lands.

The UNIVERSITY CALIFORNIA BERKELEY SCHOOL OF NUCLEAR ENGINEERS (UCBSNE) found RADIOISOTOPES SUCH AS CESIUM in **cow's milk** sampled from The *San Francisco* bay area. CESIUM was detected in organic **cow's milk** in Sonoma, CALIFORNIA.

RADIOACTIVE IODINE WAS DETECTED in **lettuce, spinach, root vegetables**, and other **produce**. IODINE was detected in **cow's milk** in Spokane, WASHINGTON, and as far East as *Philadelphia*, PENNSYLVANIA, and in VERMONT.

STRONTIUM 90 was detected in **the U.S. milk supply**, as well as other radioisotopes linked directly to FUKUSHIMA.

The FISHERIES AGENCY of JAPAN declared that up to 80% of **fish caught in Japanese waters** each month contain RADIOACTIVE CESIUM, and the U.S. imports seafood from JAPAN.

But in April of 2011, immediately on the heels of the worst nuclear accident in the world, U.S. SECRETARY OF STATE *Hillary Clinton*, signed an agreement with *Japanese Prime Minister Noda* in April of 2011, to ensure the *continuation* of open trade with JAPAN.

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The federal U.S. FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION (FDA) betrayed Americans, too, by announcing it had zero plans whatsoever to test NORTH PACIFIC seafood for radioactivity, even though plutonium-laced water was released into the PACIFIC OCEAN.

JAPAN allows only 100 Becquerels or less of radiation per kilogram in food. The FDA allows nuclear contaminated beverages and food from JAPAN to enter the U.S. at 12 times the radiation level that JAPAN allows its population. The FDA allows 1200 Becquerels of radiation per kilogram in food and allows radiation to be listed as "*food additive*".

The federal ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (EPA) also betrayed Americans by *stopping* weekly monitoring of milk and rainwater. Iodine-131 may have a half life of just eight days, but other radioisotopes continue to affect for generations. *Iodine -129 has a half-life of 16 million years.*

The COMMITTEE ON RADIATION RISK COMMISSION FOR INDEPENDENT RESEARCH AND INFORMATION ON RADIOACTIVITY (CRIIRAD) in **FRANCE** warned their citizens o **avoid large leafy greens and soft cheeses**. **CHINA** as well as **INDIA** gave their people similar instructions.

The EUROPEAN COMMISSION ON RADIATION RISK INDUSTRY warns that STRONTIUM URANIUM AND PARTICULATES ARE BUILDING UP IN AMERICA AND EUROPE, so it is wise to **stop drinking milk**.

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The Signs of Crisis

The CALIFORNIA COAST is now in danger of radiation contamination. In February 2013, scientists at STANFORD UNIVERSITY's Hopkins Marine Station found BLUEFIN TUNA caught off *San Diego*, CALIFORNIA, have elevated amounts of Cesium 134 and Cesium 137, which are FUKUSHIMA radiation markers. The NATIONAL ACADEMY OF SCIENCES says *there is no safe dose*.

The AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION (AMA) is demanding the public's "*Right to Know*" of the U.S. government, regarding radiation levels in food. The CALIFORNIA MEDICAL ASSOCIATION (CMA) initiated the resolution. The U.S. allowances of radiation in U.S. food, nutritional supplements, and pharmaceuticals are dangerously high and it particularly dooms babies and children who are much more vulnerable to radiation.

July 10, 2013, the JAPAN TIMES reported RISING RADIOACTIVITY LEVELS in seawater off the coast of FUKUSHIMA measured 90,000 times more than officially "safe". Migratory fish, such as BLUEFIN TUNA spawn and swim in JAPAN's ocean water before crossing the PACIFIC to U.S. coastal waters.

Denial gets stronger and stronger as the evidence of the need for declaring a state of emergency and responding increases. But there is NO EXCUSE for lying, pretending the situation is "*normalcy*". The neglect by the Obama Administration is inexcusable because of the urgent need of all residents of the WEST COAST. Already radioactive fish are migrating to the WEST COAST and marine animals are dying. Babies and Children on the WEST COAST are sick and still the FDA is negligent in not testing food for radiation, even though there have been reports of radioactive *fish, milk, mushrooms, and seaweed*.

The WEST COAST air and municipal water supplies need to be checked by official agencies and the public has the right to know that if another nuclear explosion from FUKUSHIMA's fourth reactor core and spent fuel rod pool happens, so much more radiation could emit, that the entire WEST COAST might have to be evacuated immediately. *It will collapse*.

You need to be heedful, and ready to leave for a place of safety at any instant. It is inexcusable that the *Obama Administration* seems more interested in safeguarding the nuclear industry and in nuking SYRIA, than with protecting the health and safety of residents on the WEST COAST.

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The complacency of the Obama Administration in this matter of public-safety comes close to treason against the American citizenry. What's worse is the continuance of lackadaisical leadership in regards to the highest and best interest of the American people in regards. Elected officials need to wake up to the seriousness of the original accident and to the ongoing FUKUSHIMA DAIICHI disaster's effects upon the WEST COAST.

For more information, call *Cindy Folkers*, Radiation and Health Specialist at BEYOND NUCLEAR. Her phone number is 240.354.4314. This is an international problem and is THE most dangerous situation on planet Earth at this moment in time.

Let us review what happened in 1986 with the 1:23 a.m. explosion that occurred at the Chernobyl nuclear plant. A power surge had ruptured the uranium fuel rods, causing a steam explosion that created a huge fireball. Air ignited flammable gas that caused a fire resulting in a radioactive plume. The radioactive cloud contaminated land in Belarus, Eastern Europe, and Scandinavia. **But there was silence from the Soviets while the radiation poisoning drifted across the European continent.**

But Swedish food authorities recommended that moose hunters eat **moose** or **fish** no more than once a month because of the significant levels of Chernobyl radioactive contamination. **Berries, honey, and mushrooms** were not sold by the Swedes because the weather had carried the radiation. And a quarter of a century after Chernobyl, the northern indigenous people of Scandinavia still talk about how Chernobyl's radioactive fallout disrupted the sale of reindeer meat.

Chernobyl had only one nuclear reactor meltdown, but with FUKUSHIMA there were three reactor meltdowns with a nuclear plume that drifted across NORTH AMERICA. **But there was silence from the Obama Administration while the radiation poisoning drifted across the NORTH AMERICAN continent.**

And the awful truth is that FUKUSHIMA's fourth reactor's collapse forecast. The WEST COAST of the United States is in imminent crisis and the Obama Administration has failed to give the public heed. Attention needs to be drawn to the FUKUSHIMA DAIICHI ongoing threat and it is the right thing to do to warn those around you to have a healthy dose of fear. Another nuclear plume with plutonium radiation poisoning raining down upon the WEST COAST *again*, seems inevitable. Silence about the probability of FUKUSHIMA being a catastrophic disaster for American citizenry again is cruel denial.

Here is the link where you can sign the petition: <http://www.change.org/petitions/west-coast-senators-investigate-the-ongoing-danger-from-the-fukushima-nuclear-reactors>.

There's another petition here: <http://www.regulations.gov/#!submitComment;D-FDA-2013-P-0291-0001>

And, http://petitions.moveon.org/sign/keep-harmful-radiative-1.fb26?source=c.fb&r_by=7470505

The FUKUSHIMA FALLOUT AWARENESS NETWORK (FFAN) is a coalition of BEYOND NUCLEAR, CITIZENS FOR HEALTH, ECOLOGICAL OPTIONS NETWORK, NUCLEAR FREE PLANET, NUCLEAR INFORMATION AND RESOURCE SERVICE, and individuals.

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It's Surreal

The spent fuel waste at FUKUSHIMA, HANFORD and SAN ONOFRE reactor sites are all in danger of earthquake vulnerability and shifting Teutonic plates, posing grave public-safety issues for the WEST COAST. The DIABLO CANYON and SAN ONOFRE *nuclear generating stations* in SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA are both on the shore and directly on or near active earthquake faults. A spent fuel pool crack caused by an earthquake at SAN ONOFRE would send a lethal dose of radiation of great peril. SAN ONOFRE is on the coast near the ocean, like FUKUSHIMA DAIICHI.

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Senator Barbara Boxer is Chair of the COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENTAL AND PUBLIC WORKS and Senator Diane Feinstein chairs the APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE with FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION oversight. You might want to let them know what a fine world it would be if Man eliminated the environmental hazards, because some eco-damage is irreparable. Everything manmade costs the planet more than Man can justify.

Plus, OREGON STATE EMERGENCY OFFICIALS are urging SOUTHERN OREGON residents to **prepare for a magnitude 9.0 CASCADIA SUBDUCTION ZONE earthquake**. There will be an informational workshop in the **Medford City Hall at 411 West Eighth Street on Friday, September 20, at 3 p.m.**

Kim Liipert, spokesperson for the OREGON OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT, is going to take disaster preparedness workshops to SOUTHERN OREGONIANS so that we can prepare to be cut off. According to THE OREGON RESILIENCE PLAN that was prepared for the OREGON LEGISLATURE, **drinking water, electricity, and sewers** may be disrupted for up to one year, **food** and other **essential supplies** could be cut off for months **if priority highways are knocked out**. It could take up to a year to get the highways rebuilt. It could take a year-and-a-half to restore **health care facilities**. ON THE COAST SERVICES COULD BE GONE LONGER THAN A YEAR.

SOUTHERN OREGON CITIZENS SHOULD ESTABLISH A MEETING PLACE IN ADVANCE. Parents might be at work. Children might be at school. Grandparents might be at home. Mobile phones might be dysfunctional. If you are inside a building **when the shaking starts, drop and take cover** under something, and **try to hold on to something**. Homes might be flooded when the shaking stops, so as soon as the shaking stops, **seek higher ground**.

Get over complacency about a 9.0 earthquake, tsunamis, or hurricanes striking the OREGON COAST. Yes, it might happen here.

(Source: September 12, 2013 MAIL TRIBUNE, "Bracing for the Big One" by Damian Mann; SILENCE DEAFENING by Kimberly Roberson, founder of FUKUSHIMA FALLOUT AWARENESS NETWORK. You may reach her at ffan@sonic.net. For a press release, contact media@silencedeafening.com. The website is www.silencedeafening.com)

The Trade Deals

A Fast Track forced vote of CONGRESS means President Obama has already signed the trade agreement negotiations, while your representatives and senators were denied access to the drafts. Ever since *Former President Nixon*, it's been the *Executive Branch* that controls the *content* of secret trade deals. American citizens are stuck with paralysis BUT WHOEVER CONTROLS THE FOOD, CONTROLS THE PEOPLE.

The policies of the bestial trade-off are seemingly unlimited. The blackmail is more than agricultural practices and food production, as Congress would be yielding the U.S. over to the oligarch's global policy prowess and abdicating national say over of the environment, financial markets, healthcare, the internet, sustainability, and et cetera.

It is even purported that the multinational corporations have special rights to challenge U.S. Supreme Court decisions, environmental laws, food safety laws, and regulation disputes in special international tribunals instead of our national judicial system. All nations that sign the trade agreements must yield their national rights over to lowest common denominator of quality control standards, so as to not deprive corporations of sales of their products. The companies will sue any nation that denies their product sales.

It may even mean that all nations participating in the global commerce trade *Beast* must give up their own country's consumer rights, such as banning or restricting *Genetically Modified Organisms (GMO's)* because the biotech food producers abhor infringement on their corporate "rights" to profits.

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That's right, "The Trans-Atlantic Trade and Investment Partnership" (TTIP) and the "Trans-Pacific Partnership" (TPP), and the global trade deals with the G-8, and the G-20 are corporate positioning to sue the federal government for the loss of anticipated future profits if the FDA bans their ingredients or food imports.

Meanwhile the N-11 have the potential to overtake the G-8 as the world's largest economies this century. The real growth in per capita income will occur in the BRIC (Brazil, Russia, India, and China) by almost ten times by 2050, according to Goldman Sachs set of data and forecast.

But we've only got one planet and we have failed to heed the warnings about our material lifestyles exceeding the limits of the ecosystem. Addiction to unsustainable growth means humanity isn't mature enough to initiate a managed decline of human footprint. Without a check and balance to the behavior of multinational corporations, there will be consequences of exponential pollution and resource depletion with the irrelevance of borders. The profitable market rewards will be small comfort to the intergenerational impact facing the emerging trade world's irresponsible behaviors.

(Sources: <http://us.mc1844.mail.yahoo.com/mc/welcome?gx=1&.tm=1372107713&.rand=7un43dvf>, June 23, 2013, "Secret Trade Agreements Threaten to Undo Our Last Shreds of Food Safety" by Katherine Paul and Ronnie Cummins; THE GREAT DISRUPTION by Paul Gilding)

MONSANTO Patents Natural Broccoli Florets

Now that much of Europe has rejected GMO crops, it seems that MONSANTO and other biotech firms want to commit further crimes against the environment and against humanity by patenting non-GMO food. Patenting Mother Nature should be an environmental crime and a crime against humanity because Nature's content was never intended to become the sole property of Man, to misuse without limit or obligation. *The Copyright of Nature belongs only to the Author of Life, with all rights reserved by the Natural Laws of Creation, in the interest of public domain.* But due to some loophole interpretation of patents by the EUROPEAN PATENT OFFICE, it seems MONSANTO was granted a patent on broccoli florets.

There is a petition in opposition to patents on *natural crops* at <http://www.no-patents-on-seeds.org> with over two million signatures so far.

There is another separate petition to stop MONSANTO from patenting *natural organisms* in Europe at http://www.avaaz.org/en/monsanto_vs_mother_earth_twfb/?tysEsab.

According to www.naturalnews.com the following groups have demanded that European politicians mend the EUROPEAN PATENT OFFICE's interpretation of the current EUROPEAN PATENT LAW. The EUROPEAN PATENT OFFICE has received demand to mend its loophole, by the following advocacy groups: *Reseau Semences Paysannes* (France); *No Patents on Seeds*, Greenpeace, and *Misereor* (Germany); *Rete Semi Ruralli* (Italy); *Bionext* (Netherlands); *Development Fund* (Norway); *The Berne Declaration* and *Swissaid* (Switzerland); and *GeneWatch* (UK).

(Sources: July 1, 2013, NATURAL NEWS.COM, "European patent Office Grants Monsanto patent on natural broccoli seeds, florets" by Ethan A. Huff and "Monsanto also pushing for ownership of life in America as well", <http://no-patents-on-seeds.org>, and www.avaaz.org)

A Flicker of Sanity in a World Gone Mad

OREGON Senator Jeff Merkley, and SENATE AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE CHAIR, Debbie Stabenow wanted to stop the infamous "**Farmer Assurance Provision**" rider from getting renewed in the same way it was passed--anonymously, without debate, and without most of CONGRESS even knowing it was in the federal budget bill. The rider granted MONSANTO protections and gave immunity to the U.S. Chemical Giants and their big biotech industry.

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Senator Jon Tester (D-MT) had introduced an amendment to remove the "Farmer Assurance Provision" rider. Tester's amendment was co-sponsored by Senators Begich (D-AK), Blumenthal (D-CT), Boxer (D-CA), Gillibrand (D-NY), Leahy (D-VT), and Wyden (D-OR). Tester's removal amendment was excluded from the CONTINUING RESOLUTION SPENDING BILL last March. But CONGRESS could have had a sanity reprieve if the U.S. SENATE supported *Tester's amendment* this month by attaching it to the spending bill that expired this September.

Under the "Farmer Assurance Provision" rider, even if a U.S. court of law finds that a given type of GMO-seed was approved without proper safety protocols or may be unsafe for the environment or if there are public-safety issues, the U.S. JUDICIAL BRANCH has no more Juris Prudence to stop the planting or sale of GMO-seeds and their companion biocides. The rider makes it a *must* for the USDA to immediately approve any permits for continued planting of GMO seeds at the biotech industry's request.

The consequence of CONGRESS passing this horrid "Farmer Assurance Provision" rider resulted in 13 more GMO crops and GMO salmon for USDA approval. In effect the legislative and executive branches of the Constitution, co-jointly treasoned against U.S. citizens by destroying the check and balance system of the CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. The rider denies citizenry the Judiciary branch's constitutional power, by undermining the U.S. federal courts.

The American people are for peace, but it's the politicians who passed the federal spending bill with a rider that gave the biotech firms immunity, thus perpetuating an economy based on war. It's a fact of history that MONSANTO made *Agent Orange* which the U.S. government used on *civilians* in VIET NAM. While world attention is being focused toward SYRIA'S use of biocides on civilians, it distracts attention away from the immunity rider that sanctions the *U.S. Chemical Giants*. One can only wonder what biotech immune to justice may hold the bio-solution that SYRIA is offering to turn over to international hands.

(Source: April/May 2013 GREEN AMERICAN GREEN AMERICA.ORG, "Monsanto Protection Act" Signed into Law, *GMO Inside Gears Up*", greenamerica.org/socialinvesting/shareholderaction/, GMOInside.org, Facebook.org/GMOInside, and <http://bit.ly/11i2Hwa/>, June 6, 2013 HUFFINGTON POST, "Debbie Stabenow Pledges to Oppose Monsanto Protection Act Extension Without Full Debate", and Center for Responsive Politics, and campaign@jeffmerkley.com)

Vote with Your Dollars

By shopping at natural foods markets, grandmothers and others can choose organic options. Organic farming replenishes the soil. The USDA "Organic" seal means the product is certified to contain 95 percent or more organic content. Organic beauty care, foods, and other products are produced and processed without antibiotics, artificial ingredients, biocide toxins, Genetically Modified Organisms (GMO's), irradiation, pesticides, preservatives, synthetic hormones.

Look also for "Fair Trade" certification upholds strict environmental standards and requires prices that allow farmers to follow sustainable practices.

(<http://www.theorganicpages.com>, <http://www.safecosmetics.org>, <http://www.womensvoices.org>, <http://www.nongmoproject.org/find-non-gmo>, and <http://www.fairtradeusa.org/products-partners>, and <http://www.epa.gov/osw/wycd/funfacts>.)
